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This reply is in response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2008. Claims 1, 5, 6, 14, 15, 27, 29-32, and 34-38 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 5, 6, 14, 15, 27, and 29-31 are allowed. Claims 32 and 35-37 stand rejected. Claims 34 and 38 have been objected to.


Applicant has amended the claims as shown above and cancelled claim 32 without prejudice to place the application in condition for allowance. The cancellation of claim 32 is not an admission of non-patentability. Applicant has simply cancelled that claim to place the application in condition for allowance. Entry of the foregoing amendment and reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

The objection to claims 34 and 38 as well as the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(b) and 103 of claims 32 and 35-37 are rendered moot in view of the proposed claim amendments. Withdrawal of the rejection and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Having addressed all issues set out in the office action, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Applicant invites the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney if there are any issues outstanding which have not been addressed to the Examiner's satisfaction.

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Respectfully submitted,



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